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OPENING DAY AT SPELMAN

On Tuesday morning, September 21, at a few minutes past eight, the students and faculty were seated in Howe Memorial Chapel for the opening exercises. A number of friends were present.

It was time to begin work again, to resume old duties and to take up new tasks. School was opening. There had been initiated here what is known as "Freshman Week." Now all had assembled for the formal opening.

The exercises were opened by singing Hymn 311, "Holy, Holy, Holy." The next was the very appropriate spiritual, "Seek and Ye Shall Find." For the scripture lesson, the 103rd Psalm was read and Dr. E. P. Johnson offered prayer.

President Tapley extended a most hearty welcome. She contrasted this opening with that thirty-six years ago when Spelman was in its infancy. She next introduced Mrs. Kemper Harreld, President of the Alumnae Association. This message from the Alumnae has been a regular feature on opening day for several years. But each year brings us a different message.

Mrs. Harreld's talk was based on reminiscences of her years here as a student and on the talks Miss Upton used to give. She gave, for the benefit of new students, a brief summary of what college life would be like, and told how they could get the most out of it.

Recounting some of Spelman's ideals and traditions, she told what Spelman Seminary had symbolized and what the name Spelman College may now symbolize. For illustration, of the initials S. C., "S" stands for strength of body, mind and soul for students, and for the teachers it takes even a broader meaning—sympathy for the work and for the students. "C" stands for courage, in the student, to stand up and use her strength, and for the teacher it means confidence in herself, in the work she will be able to accomplish, and confidence in the students.

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SPELMAN'S BLUE

Oh, Spelman, Alma Mater,
Thy Daughters are lovely and true.
We sing thy praises forever,
We cheer for the White and the Blue.

Chorus.

'Tis here where hearts are dearer;
'Tis here where hearts are true;
'Tis here where skies are clearer;
We sing to Spelman's Blue.

Where green vales blend together,
How stately thy poplars rise.
Thy buildings, aye forever
To touch the glowing skies.

When college days are over,
And school's fleeting years have flown,

We'll praise thee, Alma Mater,
For seeds of service sown.

—Essie J. Heath, '27.

ATHLETICS

"All work and no play, makes Jill a dull girl."

During recent years Spelman has turned aside to engage in more varied forms of athletics. Realizing the value of play as a necessary factor in cultivating some of the desired virtues of life, "Our College" has tried to stimulate an environment that encourages pure play.

Our athletics take various forms so that no one is too small and no one too large to engage in one form or another. Therefore, every girl on the campus from the smallest to the largest has an opportunity to develop her body and her personality.

One psychologist has said, "Reward good habits with satisfaction." To show the spirit of the college, our Dean rewarded a number of girls with the honorary letters of their halls. Last year was the first year in which this was done, and the students to receive

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GROVER-WERDEN MEMORIAL FOUNTAIN.

A beautiful white-stone drinking fountain stands on Spelman campus. It is called the Grover-Werden Memorial fountain and is situated in the triangle between Morehouse and Rockefeller in easy access to all dormitories. It is graceful in form, and, although it still lacks a dome, we are able to use it. There are four jets with basins. It looks complete now when surrounded by crowds of girls awaiting their turn and stepping into one of the four lines to approach one of the fountains.

Thinking of our present satisfaction in it and of the girls to come who will enjoy this useful gift, we can not think of a more fitting memorial to the two consecrated women for whom it is named. Miss Grover and Miss Werden gave unselfishly of their lives in service for our sisters who have been here and the fragrance of their memories remains for us.

Surely the Alumnae Association of Spelman has caught some of the spirit of these women when they serve us with such a gift of use and beauty.

COULD WE? WE CERTAINLY COULD!

Couldn't we love old Spelman blue,
And ever cherish her white and blue,

Could we, we certainly could.
We certainly could.

Couldn't we do our best always
And ever love our college days?

Could we, we certainly could.
What training! here we get,
Here we get.

No complaining or need to fret,
Need to fret,

Couldn't we raise her flag to the lofty skies,
And tell the world she satisfies?
Could we, we certainly could.

Sense and Nonsense to the New Students

I'M SORRY.

If you go to the laundry without
your hose, I'm sorry.

If you drop an iron while laundering
your clothes, I'm sorry.

For you must get out right then
and there

If you have not a single ironed
dress to wear,

And the girls all laugh when you
leave in despair. I'm sorry.

If around the campus you chance
to walk, I'm sorry,

Just to meet the fellows and have a
talk, I'm sorry.

You needn't think that you are get-
ting by,

Someone is watching with an eagle
eye,

And will call you in question by
and by, I'm sorry.

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Mrs. Harreld holds three diplo-
mas from Spelman and has taught
from the second grade through the
college department.

The next speaker was Mrs. Eliz-
abeth Blocker, one of Spelman's
first college graduates. She re-
counted some of Spelman's early
history and development. She con-
trasted the inconveniences of Spe-
lman Seminary four decades ago
with the equipment and comforts
in educational facilities at Spelman
College as it is today. She pointed
out how grateful the students ap-
peared who had much more physi-
cal discomfort while we, though
happy, take everything for granted.

She told the new students not to
attempt to take the place of any of
their predecessors. Instead she
urged that each try to make a
place for herself.

The closing speech was made by
Dr. E. P. Johnson, of Atlanta Uni-
versity, for many years secretary
of the Board of Trustees, and a
staunch friend of the school. His
thought was taken from the first
verse of the 103rd Psalm, "Bless
the Lord, O my soul, and all that is
within me bless his holy name."
He stressed the facts that we owe
Him homage, that we should bless
Him with our minds, intellect and
imagination, and with our hearts—
the spiritual part. He urged us to
take all our difficult problems to
Him.

"Spelman, Beloved Spelman" was
sung at the close of the service.

Dorothy Roberts, L. A., '28.

FROM THE "SOPHS" TO THE "FRESHIES."

You have our sympathy;
We once were verdant, too;
So if you sometimes lose your way,
The "Sophs" will help you through.

You've started a new school year,
You hope high marks to make,
But ere you pass the final exam,
You must be wide awake.

Because these College "profs"
Will make you bring the "stuff,"
So we say, dear Freshman friends,
You need not try to bluff.

TWO OLD STUDENTS

Junior: The Freshmen this year
are much better looking than those
of last year.

Sophomore: That's nothing, the
Freshmen last year were much bet-
ter looking than those of year be-
fore last.

Instructor in Biology to Student:
How many of you have ever seen a
green-house?

Student, enthusiastically: Yes, I
have seen many. I see one now
right across the street there.

FIRST FRESHMAN PARTY

FOR 1926

Near the close of Freshman
Week, the thrills and surprises of
Freshmen reached a climax when
they were told by Dean Lamson
that they were to have an introduc-
tory social, Saturday night, Sep-
tember 18, planned and given by a
committee that they might choose.

The social was held in the Home
Economics Assembly Room, which
was decorated with rugs, pillows,
shaded lights, and a welcome post-
er in blue and white.

The short, spicy program was:
Words of Welcome.....Estelle Bailey
Response.....Samantha Howard
Instrumental Solo,

Eddie Joe Brooks
Reading.....Minnie L. Finley
Vocal Solo.....Emma Scott
Saxophone Solo.....Gwendolyn Diggs
Spelman Song.

An Added Welcome,

Dean Lamson

Every person wore printed
names, thereby enabling all to have
easy introductions. Through this
social both the new students and
the new teachers found out what a
happy social life prevails at Spe-
lman.

—Minnie Finley, '27.

Freshman Week

A FRESHMAN'S INTRO- DUCTION TO COLLEGE THROUGH FRESHMAN WEEK

"Just what have you been doing
all this week?" is the question that
is being asked me by a large num-
ber of the old students of Spelman
College. One answer might be,
"Oh, I have learned a great deal
about college, its activities, rou-
tines, methods of conducting class-
es, and have been fully introduced
to the different college subjects."

Now I will explain fully the
meaning of "Freshman Week." I
have learned that my mind will
have to be quick and alert and be
able to retain a great many things.

It is going to be much easier for
me to prepare my lessons, now that
I have had someone to lecture to me
on "How to Study." Much valua-
ble time will therefore be saved.

Who is it that doesn't enjoy a
surprise? Before I came to Spe-
lman for my "Freshman Week", I
wondered and pondered on just
what "Freshman Week" would be.
I thought we were going to get our
programs straight and just throw
away the rest of the time—but not
so! There was a surprise every
day, an introduction by lecture to a
different subject.

We were each given little note
books and told to take notes on
each lecture. It has helped me a
great deal and I hope to keep my
book as a record of that memorable
event, "The Freshman Week."

One of the most enjoyable fea-
tures of the week was the study of
"The Freshman Girl," conducted by
our Dean. In this little book are
articles by some of the best known
men and women in the intellectual
world. There is advice, warning,
explanation, heart to heart talks
and many other interesting things
in this book. It is good reading in
itself, even if we did not use it as
a text-book for classes. Every
freshman girl in the United States
should at least read this book or
one similar to it before she begins
her regular classes—before she
makes her decision on certain vital
subjects.

I especially enjoyed the lectures
on reading by Miss Timson. In
my course I may not get a chance
to take up that subject, but she has
given us so much in that one week
that I feel determined to make use
of her instructions. I know now
just what constitutes good reading.

I have learned the practical val-
ue, purpose, and possibilities of
History, English, Mathematics,
Latin, French, Sociology, Econom-

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STUDENTS THINKING.

The idea of Freshman Week was quite uniquely carried out, if one may judge from the oral and written reports made by the various freshmen. It is believed that they were given an insight into the true Spelman spirit as well as an initiation into the joys and sorrows of college life.

Their individual ideals of the "Freshman Girl" are already being realized, and their wonderful dreams of college life are beginning to come true.

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Are all classes organized? The freshmen are!

"Three cheers for the freshmen!"

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Our "Extra Curricular Activities" are organizing again. Press Club, Literary Club, Y. W. C. A. and Glee Club. All take a solemn vow to make this year the best yet in their respective histories!

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We are delighted to see our new chapel nearing completion and are eagerly waiting until the day when we may assemble within its walls. The new fountain also is almost completed. This is a source of joy to all because we are now drinking cold water to our heart's content.

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What is soccer? Ask even a freshman and I daresay she will give you a correct explanation of the game. At present, it is the game of the season; full of life, fun and pep. Let's go in for sports as never before, take our share, and drink deeply of the benefits.

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What's the matter with Spelman? She's all right! Advancing a step further than last year, she takes second prize at the South-eastern Fair. Let's try to reach the goal next year; it takes only one

step more.

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Do we know our new faculty members? We have had several chances to know them. If not in their respective classes, we may have become acquainted with them at socials. See this number of the "Campus Mirror" for a written introduction to them.

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Opening Day at Spelman for 1926-27 was one of the most beautiful ever witnessed. The spirit and atmosphere of the devotional services were uplifting, and cultural in every respect.

FACULTY MEMBERS

We are glad to welcome our new faculty members. We are equally pleased to see so many of our old teachers, and extend to all a cordial welcome.

The following is the roll call:

Janet D. Anderson, Professor of French; Stoughton, Wis. B. A., University of Wisconsin; Summer Session, University of Wisconsin.

Eva T. Barrett, R. N., Superintendent of Nurses and Instructor, Winthrop, Mass. Graduate of Worcester City Hospital, Worcester, Mass.

Beulah Boley, Principal of Training School; Stockport, Iowa. A. B., Iowa Wesleyan College; Summer Session, Cedar Falls. Iota Phi, scholarship fraternity.

Ada Estelle Child, Music and Art in Training School and Instructor in Voice; West Medford, Mass. Diploma, Lowell Normal School; music supervisor's certificate, Lowell Normal School.

Clossie E. Clark, Matron of Morehouse Hall, North; Portsmouth N. H.

Margaret Griffin, Librarian, Minneapolis, Minn. Ph. B., Denison University; Summer Session, Minnesota University. Teaches classes in Library Science.

Stella J. Haugan, Professor of Music; Grand Forks, North Dakota. B. A., University of North Dakota; teachers' certificate in piano; Chicago Musical College; post graduate work at Columbia University and American Conservatory of Music, Chicago, Ill. Has charge of Glee Club, Chorus, and Women's Quartet.

Ruth E. Hopkins, secretary to Dean Lamson, Malden, Mass.

Viola L. Jensen, Professor of TWO 'mke29 etaojn shrdlu Mathematics and Economics; Madison, Wis. B. A., University of Wisconsin; M. A., University of Wisconsin.

Grace E. Kemp, Professor of Elementary Education; Fairfield, Iowa.

Ph. B., Parsons College; A. B., Parsons College; A. M., State University of Iowa; summer sessions, Parsons College.

Elizabeth L. Lyons, Professor of Latin; Punxsutawney, Pa. A. B., Syracuse University; A. M., Syracuse University, magna cum laude. Phi Beta Kappa. Professor Lyons is assistant in the English Department and faculty adviser of the Wheatley-Faussett Literary Club.

Emma McDonald, Instructor in Physics and Chemistry; Briggsville, Wisconsin; B. A., Lawrence College; M. A., University of Illinois.

Hortense Merrill, Lynn, Mass. R. N. Ph. G., Dr. Gray's Hospital. Graduate of Massachusetts College of Pharmacy. She is an experienced nurse and comes as Superintendent of the Hospital and Instructor.

Lyndell M. Merrill, Berwick, Maine. Diploma Gorham Normal School. Summer sessions, University of New Hampshire.

Mary Mae Neptune, Professor of English; Barnesville, Ohio. A. B. and A. M., Ohio Wesleyan University. Graduate study in English and Education at Columbia University.

Mrs. Annette K. Pottle, Oxford, Maine; matron of Rockefeller Hall. Graduate of Bridgton Academy. Mrs. Pottle is an experienced matron and is the mother of Miss Nellie Pottle of Spelman faculty.

Mrs. Mary A. Pritchard, Dalbo, Minn.; matron of Bessie Strong Nurses' Home. Mrs. Pritchard has been matron and adviser of girls at Rio rGand College.

Edith Riner, Professor of Biology; Wichita, Kansas. A. B., Friends' University. A. M., University of Kansas.

Ruth Seidel, Professor of Physical Education; Lake Park, Iowa. A. B., Iowa State Teachers' College. Summer sessions, Iowa State Teachers College.

Dora A. States, Professor of Education; Spencerville, Ohio. Normal College Diploma, Ohio State Normal College. B. S., Ohio University. M. A., Columbia University. Summer session, University of Southern California. Professor States has charges of the Advanced Sunday School Class.

Bertha M. Yackel, Professor of Clothing; Napierville, Ill. B. S., North Central College.

"Oh, Faculty members, to thee we sing,

Whatever may happen, whate'er time may bring,

Remember this college, remember that we

Your loyal friends will ever be."

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ics, Industrial Art, Household Art, Education, Dramatics, Science; Bible, and Reading. Each one has its value and aim.

Not only have we had lectures on these subjects, but we have had some intelligence tests. I have always enjoyed these tests, but never so much as I did this time. I felt that I was now in college and surely more was expected of me. The whole thing was exciting and interesting.

I have been helped intellectually, but there is another way in which I have grown. The first Saturday night, we were given a social and had a chance to meet our classmates and teachers on other ground than purely intellectual ones. We discovered some of the talent in the class and thoroughly enjoyed ourselves.

Was the Freshman week a success? It was a perfect success. It was not only helpful but enjoyable. Ask the "Freshies". They know and will tell you that they don't see how other Freshmen become adjusted to the college routine without the "Freshman Week."

We have not left out the religious phase of school life. We had our regular devotions every morning and on Sunday morning all who wanted to, had the privilege of attending Friendship Baptist Church where Spelman was founded.

Now that I have been introduced to college, I hope that I shall make use of the opportunities, make friends, and let college leave its mark upon me.

Catherine Burris.

ORGANIZED ACTIVITIES THE COLLEGE GLEE CLUB

The College Glee Club met with its new instructor, Miss Hagan, on Monday evening, October 10. This meeting was for the purpose of electing officers. They were as follows: Misses Nannie Gadson, President; Edna Hill, Business Manager; Thelma Gilbert, Secretary-Treasurer; Myrtle Balasco and Moseetta Miles, Librarians.

With the assistance of the instructor and these officers, we shall hope to make the Glee Club a great success this year.

Lyda H. McCree.

THE WHEATLEY-FAUSSET LITERARY CLUB

The Wheatley-Fausset Literary Club met October 13 in the Home Economics Assembly Room for the purpose of electing officers for 1926-27. The new officers are as follows: Misses Estelle Bailey,

President; Mary A. Dunn, Vice President; Lillie M. Surmans, Secretary; Frankie Clark, Treasurer; Alma Ferguson, Chaplain; Myrtle Clark, Chairman of Program Committee. We are glad to have this year as faculty adviser Professor Elizabeth P. Lyons.

We solicit the interest of the college students in making this the best year in the history of the club.

Estelle R. Bailey, Pres.

YOUNG WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION AT SPELMAN

Is the "Y" of Spelman College going to be active this year?

Of course it is. It couldn't be anything else when the Freshmen say it must be.

The membership is being increased greatly, both by the old students and the Freshmen. We are planning to have the largest membership we have had since the Y. W. C. A. has been confined to the College Department. If we can get quantity and quality, so much the better, but, as our Dean says, we must have the quality if quantity is left out.

Another reason that the "Y" on our campus must be active is the fact that the State Week End Conference is to be held here at Spelman early in November.

Misses Roberts, Dobbs and Smith brought us many splendid ideas from the Talladega Conference. We plan to put them into use immediately.

We hope to have as many as a dozen girls attend Talladega Conference next spring, and to do so we must begin planning for this, now. Some time in November we expect to hold a Carnival-Bazaar.

Everybody boost the Spelman "Y"

Camilla Howard, '27.

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The members of the Campus Mirror staff, with their motto, "Service in Unity" always in mind, hope to make this year's "Mirror" mirror every fine thing on Spelman campus. With the interest and aid of students and faculty members, we feel sure that we shall be able to do it.

SENIOR HIGH NOTES.

The High School Senior Class, forty-four in number, began this term's work with splendid zeal and enthusiasm. We have not forgotten the dignity that has been so prevalent in past senior classes; we are just allowing ourselves time to realize that we are seniors at last.

One enthusiastic group of seniors was found trying to decide the number of invitations they needed and how their class pins should be worn. Wouldn't it be a wise idea if we should think of geography and dates rather than invitations and pins, knowing how perfectly blank our principal found us on the former subject. Of course, you'll agree!

Each member has made the determination to have our senior class the best yet. And what, with such a splendid group of teachers and co-workers, can prevent us from doing so?

Scraps From Sagacious Seniors.

A certain too-wise student proceeded to take the monthly chemistry test with light heart and high spirit. Thinking the test very easy, she soon finished and told the class she had "done fine." The next day in Laboratory "42" mocked at her from the top of the test paper and as a result she is now suffering from failure (heart).

Which goes "faster," J. S. or the clock she carries with her?

Dumb student: When was the War of 1812?

Frances Caliler, '27.

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ATHLETICS

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them were ignorant of the fact until Class Day. Those receiving letters were:

In Rockefeller Hall: Helen Haggood, Margerite Rucker; Packard: Moseetta Miles, Willie Reese and Beatrice Tucker; Morehouse, North: Ruth Powell and Hattie Smith; Morehouse, South: Mary Davis; Morgan, North: Margaret Johnson, Rosa Davis and Bertha Miles; Morgan, South: Hettie Jackson and Eddie Money. There were also others.

The letters were obtained for work in tennis, basketball, horse-shoe and as yell leaders.

We hope this will be a stimulus to create more interest and that at the end of this year a great many more will receive the letter of their halls.

Edna Hill.